

Shenandoah Trail Rides Guide

Horse Trip: 15-20 Mile Circuit

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Simmons Gap Semi-Circuit

Map: PATC #11 (South District)

Suitable route for wet/winter conditions.

Trip Description: Start in the park, then ride county roads through Sugar Grove and Bacon Hollow.

Skyline Drive Parking

Parking: Beldor Hollow Parking
Trailer: Small 2-horse trailer
Availability: Parking is generally available.

Boundary Parking

Parking: N/A
Trailer:
Availability:

Encounters: Route uses county roads outside of the park.
(No busy highways are included.)

Footings: Wide trails that aren't very rocky (typically gravel or dirt road).

Total Distance 18 Miles

Park at Simmons Gap, mile 73.2, on the west side of Skyline Drive.
Cross Skyline Drive, then turn right, riding down Simmons Gap Fire Road for 1 mile.
Exit the park, now on state route 628 for 3.5 miles.
Turn left on state route 614 for 2.8 miles.
Turn left onto state route 627 for about 2 miles.
Turn left onto state route 632 for 3.3 miles.
Turn right, back onto state route 614 for 0.9 mile. From here on you'll be retracing your steps.
Turn right back onto state route 628 for 3.5 miles, then enter the park.
Continue, now on Simmons Gap Fire Road, for 1 mile.
Turn left and cross Skyline Drive to return to your vehicle.